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It is hereby notified to all concerned that public auctions of rights to manufacture liquor from cashew juice in respect of various zones located in North and South Goa in between bidders who undertake to manufacture the maximum quantity of liquor from particular zones for Cashew Season of the year 2025, shall be held before the committee constituted under Rule 72(2) of Goa Excise Duty Rules, 1964 in respect of cashew zones of North Goa District will be held in the Swami Vivekanand Hall, Panaji and M/s. Laxmibai Memorial Hall, Valpoi, Sattari-Goa and South Goa District will be held in the Ravindra Bhavan (Black Box Hall), Margao, Salcete-Goa on the following dates from 11.00 a.m. onwards.

Date & day of 1st Cashew Auction	Name of Taluka	Place of auction for North/South District
1	2	3
Cashew Zones of North Goa District		
04-02-2025 Tuesday	1. Bardez 2. Bicholim	Swami Vivekanand Hall, 6th Floor, Junta House, Panaji-Goa.
05-02-2025 Wednesday	1. Tiswadi 2. Pernem 3. Sattari	Swami Vivekanand Hall, 6th Floor, Junta House, Panaji-Goa.

1	2	3
Cashew Zones of South Goa District		
06-02-2025 Thursday	1. Mormugao 2. Canacona 3. Ponda	Ravindra Bhavan (Black Box Hall), Margao, Salcete- Goa.
07-02-2025 Friday	1. Salcete 2. Quepem 3. Sanguem	Ravindra Bhavan (Black Box Hall), Margao, Salcete-Goa.

No bidder shall be admitted to the auction unless he/she makes a deposit of Rs. 100/- as an earnest money separately in respect of each zone. The earnest money can be deposited in the Department between 29th January, 2025 to 3rd February, 2025 and thereafter deposits shall also be accepted at the place of auction before commencement of auctions of respective Taluka.

- At the close of the auction the deposits of earnest money made by the unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded to them against the production of receipts of such deposits.
- The licence shall be granted to the bidder who shall undertake to manufacture the highest quantity of liquor of 25% under proof or corresponding quantity of lesser strength after full payment of bid amount.
- The amount of duty payable on the quantity of liquor undertaken to be produced by the bidder shall be paid by him in two equal installments. The first installment shall be paid by the bidder on the spot as soon as the bid is accepted and 2nd installment shall be paid by him within fifteen days from the date of acceptance of his bid.

4. The successful bidders shall withdraw the earnest money deposits in the same manner as above within 10 days after the payment of first installment of the bid amount.
5. A bidder shall not be allowed to transfer the bid once the right to manufacture the highest quantity of liquor is adjudicated to him/her.
6. Attention to the bidders is drawn to the provision of Rules 76 of the Excise duty Rules, 1964. In case the licensee refuses to pay for the juice supplied by cashew extractors or fails to obtain such supply from the cashew juice extractors for any reasons whatsoever, he shall not be entitled to claim for refund of duties on these grounds and therefore, the responsibility of getting the juice from zones bidded shall fully rest upon him/her.
7. In the event of failure to comply with the above conditions and the provisions of Rules 72 bid or failure to pay the first installment of the bid amount as required by sub-rule (3) of Rule 71, the earnest money of Rs. 100/- deposited by the bidder with reference to sub-rule (4) of Rules 72 shall be forfeited. If second installment of bid amount is not paid within the period of 15 days as prescribed above, the first installment paid shall be forfeited in favour of the Government. Any loss in Excise Duty caused to the Government by reason of fresh auction being held as result of non-payment of the installment, shall be recoverable from the first bidder as an arrears of land revenue.

8. As per the Goa (Excise Duty) Rules, 1964 the accepted bidding price shall be the amount of Excise Duty for the zone put to auction and no refund shall be admissible if the duty assessed on the production in such zones is less than that amount of the highest offer.

After the duty has been paid by successful bidder he/she shall declare within 5 days therefrom to the Excise Inspector of the respective taluka the number of stills and the place where he/she shall work them as required under Rule 73 of the Goa Excise Duty Rules, 1964.

The price of cashew juice for the purpose of Rule 76 of the Goa Excise Duty Rules, 1964 shall be Rs. 5.00 per litre and Rs. 4.00 per kilogram of ripe cashew apples without seeds and the rate of cashew liquor Rs. 1000/- per jar (15 litres) for ensuing cashew season of 2025 conveyed vide letter bearing No. 1/11-78-Fin(R&C)/Part-II/27436 dated 22-01-2025.

The licensee shall make use of proper vessels for storage of cashew juice and distilled liquor and erect proper still apparatus for distillation. No coal tar barrels will be used at any stage. The licensee shall maintain a register in terms of Rule 78.

The license shall be subject to the provisions of Goa (Excise Duty) Act, 1964 and Rules made thereunder as amended from time to time.

Gaurish Shankhwalkar, Addl. Commissioner of Excise.

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